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SIGNIFICANT MOVE OF JAPAN

JAPANESE NAVAL FORCES LANDED AT VLADIVOSTOK

Action Follows Attack on Japanese Officer by Russians—One Is Killed and Two Wounded. Force Landed Small, but Sufficient to Prevent Further Disorders.

Washington, April 5.—Landing of Japanese naval forces at Vladivostok to protect life and property was reported to the state department today by the American consul there.

The action followed an attack on a Japanese officer by five armed Russians, who, upon being refused money, killed one Japanese and wounded two others. The force landed was said to be small and only sufficient to prevent further disorders.

MOB OUTBREAK AROUSES

Gov. Lowdon Calls Conference

to Consider Lynching of

German in Illinois.

Washington, April 5 .- Atty.- Gen.

Gregory took to the cabinet meet-

ing today a report of the lynch-

ing of a German, Robert P. Prager,

at Collinsville, Ill., last night, for

discussion with President Wilson.

The government is expected to de-

nounce the mob's lawless act and

to express the hope that there will

A brief report on the lynching

Governor Calls Meeting.

long-distance telephone conversa-

tions today with federal and

county authorities at the scene of the lynching of Robert Prager at Collinsville last night, Gov. Low-

den shortly before noon called a conference of Atty.-Gen. Edward

J. Brundage and Assistant Adjutant-General Richings J. Shand in

the executive offices to consider the

outbreak, which has aroused

Washington, April 5 .- A general

investigation of railroad rates on

petroleum and petroleum products

was ordered today by the interstate

The investigation was decied on

in view of wide differences in the

amounts and percentages of recent

rate increases sought by the roads.

It appeared, said the order, that an

equitable adjustment of rates could

be effected only by a general in-vestigation covering the whole sit-

Plunges Through Bridge

Springfield, Mo., April 5 .- St. Louis

San Francisco passenger train No. 716 plunged through a bridge between

Goodland and Hammond, Okla., this morning, killing C. A. Welch, an ex-

press messenger of Monett, Mo., and

injuring between twenty-five and thirty passengers. The train was en

route from Paris, Tex., to Monett, Mo.

Another Test of

Investigate Rates on

commerce commission.

St. Louis-Frisco Train

uation.

Springfield, Ill., April 5 .- After

be no repetition elsewhere.

Germany on Americans.

WASHINGTON OFFICIALS

RUSSIAN EMISSARY TO BERLIN TELLS OF TREATY

Provinces of Esthonia and Livonia to Be Under Russian Sovereignty.

Moscow, Thursday, April 4.- (By the Associated Press.)-Peter Petroff, the Russian emissary, who yesterday returned from Berlin with the ratified peace treaty signed by Chancellor von Hertling and Emepror William, tells the Izvestia, the bolshevik organ, that the provisions of the ratified treaty confirmed the declaration of Foreign Secretary von Kuehlmann during the reichstag's debate that the provinces of Livenia and Esthonia, lying east of the new Russo-German frontier, are to be under Russian sovereignty.

shows the frontier running west of the provinces in question which fact, at M. Petroff's suggestion, he says, was spe cifically stated in a special document drawn up when the treaty wats rati-

Only Ratified By Germany.

M. Petroff reports that only the peace treaty, with Germany has been ratified, the representatives of the other central powers being absent. They have been officially notified of the ratification of the German document, however, and the exchange of ratified treaties will be made soon. The treaties become effective from the moment of the exchange of documents. When the correspondent asked M. Petroff for further details he declined to give them until after reporting to the government council. He expressed his personal opinion that the Ukraine, as a dis-tinct nation, was nonexistent, there being no racial differences between the people of the Ukraine and of Russia.

Wilson Names Members Board of Appraisers

Washington, April 5.-A board of appraisers for the war department to determine compensation for property already taken over or to be taken over later by the gov-ernment, and to assist in the draw-ing up of war department contracts was appointed today by President Wilson.

Lieut.-Col John S. Dean and Lieut.-Col. R. H. Montgomery, were named on the board, but it is provided that additional members be appointed.

Fifteen Thousand Children Of Atlanta in Parade

Atlanta, Ga., April 5.—Fifteen thou-sand of Atlanta's school children marched through down town streets here today in an educational parade to show what children are doing to win the war. The parade was reviewed by Gov. Dorsey and other state and city officials. In the line of march were groups representing thrift stamps, Junior Red Cross and the United States boys working reserve. The latter group was composed of high school boys who will go to the farms this summer. It included also groups representing the third liberty loan, child welfare and sixteen floats recapitulating all the war activities.

ATTEMPT TO TAKE LIFE OF JOHN COOPER

Youngstown, O., April 5.—What pothey believe was an attempt to kill Representative John Cooper in retali-ation for his activities in behalf of Representative Irvine L. Lenroot, sucessful loyalist candidate in the recent Wisconsin senatorial election, oc-Cooper home was disconnected, permitting fumes from a gas furnace to circulate through the house. Representative Cooper had left for Washngton, but his wife, two children and maid were overcome.

Three neighbors who went to the Cooper home for a call also were overcome while they were trying to re. thrift service members of the Cooper family, county. CUNARD LINER SUNK IN IRISH SEA, SAYS REPORT

New York, April 5.—The Cunard line steamship Valeria, a vessel of 5,865 tons gross register, has been sunk in the Irish sea, according to word received here by insurance interests. The Valeria left Here March 4. with cargo for a British port.
At the office of the Cunard line
it was said instructions had
been received recently that
reports of loss of steamers of
the line must not be confirmed
or denied.

NEGRO SOLDIERS PAY BY HANGING

For Murder of Private Foley. First Military Execution at Camp Logan, Houston.

Houston, Tex., April 5.- John B. Mann and Walter Matthews, negroes, privates of I company, Thirty-seventh infantry, were hanged at Camp Logan here today for the killing of Private Ralph M. Foley, of G company, 130th infantry. The men were hanged from a scaffold erected in an arroyo just within the limits of the camp. It

was the first military execution since the camp was established here.

Six officers of the hospital corps, who examined the bodies, declared death was practically instantaneous. Foley was fatally stabbed while guarding Mann and Matthews, who had been assigned the task of cleaning up rubbish about the camp. The two negroes escaped, but were recaptwo negroes escaped, but were recap-tured and tried before a court-martial. The death sentence imposed by the court-martial was approved by Presi-dent Wilson.

FATAL EXPLOSION ON NORFOLK LINE STEAMER

reached the attorney-general today from United States Attorney Charles A. Karch. Further details were asked. Officials made plain that they deplored the incident, both because of the effect in this country and also because it is feared reprisals may be made in First Mate. Assistant Engineer and Negro Fireman Killed. Cargo Scattered.

> Norfolk, Va., April 5. - Manus Kinsey first mate of the steamer Annie, of the Peoples line, plying between Norfolk and North Carolina points, and James Gowdy, assistant engineer, were killed in an explosion that almost completely wrecked that vessel at Elizabeth City, N. C., to day. A negro fireman, whose name could learned, was also killed, his body having been found in the wreckage this afternoon. Although no one definitely knows the cause of the explosion, it believed the vessel's boiler blew up. The cargo was scattered over a wide area.

Vienna Reiterates Czernin's Peace Story Petroleum Products

Amsterdam, April 5.—An official announcement made in Vienna today reiterates e assertion of Foreign Minister Czernin, which was denied yesterday by Premier Clemenceau, of France, that a conversation concerning peace has been held between Austria-Hungary and France.

Wilmington, N. C., Gets Concrete Shipyards

Washington, April 5.—Selection of Wilmington, N. C., as the site of one of the shipping board's new concrete shippards was definitely announced today by Chairman

Three small and four large con-crete tankers will be built at Wil-mington. Mr. Hurley said, to be used in the Mexican oil trade. The yards can be built within sixty days and immediately thereafter construction of the ships can be-The emergency fleet corpo-on will build the new yard. which will have three ways.

Thirty county administrators attended

NEW YORK STOCK BROKER

New York, April 5,-R. S. Davison,

held in \$50,000 bail for trial.

HELD IN \$50,000 BAIL

today's meeting.

Fuel Administrators Worley's Organization **Hold Conference**

(Special to The News.) Bristol, April 5.-W. R. Thomas, a Bristol business man who has been active as a candidate for trustee of Sullivan county subject to the democratic primary tomorrow, announces migutely all the purposes of the govhis withdrawal. This leaves the contest ernment in the matter of distribution of coal for this year and told of arbetween John R. Snow, a former trustee, and W. C. Gammon, a prominent farmer. Snow is said to have the backing of Senator Parks Worley's orrangements being made for better transportation facilities to the end that coal may be moved more readily than ganization and the battle tomorrow will was done hat winter. He said the fuel be regarded as a further test of the administration had met and overcome strength of the Worley organization. many difficulties, but that many other Gammon has made an active campaign vexing problems remained to be solved. and seems hopeful of winning. Mr. Snead said that Dr. Garfield is a very practical man and is making good as head of the fuel administration

Brandon Declines Prison Wardenship

(Special to The News.) Nashville, April 5,-Prof. A. J. Brandon, of Murfreesboro, today de clined to accept the position of warden of the main penitentiary at Nashville a stock broker, indicted with Harry recently offered him by the board of Brolaski, of Redondo Beach, Cal., and control. He gave as his reason his Louis D. Jennings in connection with private interests and his desire to continue his work as chairman of the less stock of the Standard Film in-thrift stamp campaign in Rutherford dustries, was arrested here today and

MASSED GERMANS PRESS FORWARD

On Front East Amiens-British Take Up Positions Near Villers-Brettonneux.

FOE IN REPEATED ATTACKS

Between Luce and Somme Rivers-Thrown Back for Most Part With Losses.

London, April 5.-The British have been pressed back a short distance on the front east of Amiens to positions east of Viller-Brettonneux, the war office an-

The Germans hurled bodies of troops against the British between the Luce and Somme rivers, making repeated assaults. For the most part the enemy was thrown back with losses.

The statement follows:
"Between the Luce river and the Somme heavy fighting continued yesterday during the afternoon and evening till a late hour. The enemy employed strong forces and delivered repeated assaults on our positions.
"These attacks were beaten off with

gaged by our artillery.

Duel in Scarpe Valley. London, April 5.—The Germans concentrated troops early this morning near Albert, the war office announces. British artillery took them under its fire. In the neighborhood of Bucquoy and in the Scarpe valley there was active artillery fighting during the night.

FIGHTING OVER GREAT AREA. London, April 5.—The Ger-mans this morning attacked the British works on a wide front from Dernancourt, a few miles south of Albert, to Moyenneville, north of the Somme, according to

a statement published by the Evening Standard.
The chief points of attack, the newspaper says, were Dernancourt, Menin, Beaumont-Hamel, Briegury and Moyenneville. The Germans were repulsed with heavy losses except at Dernancourt, where they made a slight gain. There has been no attack south of the Somme so far today, the statement says.

The Germans, who yesterday re The Germans, who yesterday resumed their attempt to reach Amiens and to separate the Angio-French armies and who still are fighting for their objectives, have, according to official reports, thus far failed to widen the salient which is necessary for their security. The Teutons have, however, made some slight advance on the direct road to Amiens.

Both the British and French official statements admit slightwithdraw-

cial statements admit slightwithdraw-als south of the city of Amiens, but on both wings of the battle front the entente allied troops have succeeded in repulsing all German attacks. Eng land is calmly watching on the maps the result of this latest offensive and every scrap of news about it is read eagerly,

Difficulties Obvious.

"Our difficulties and those of the enemy are fairly obvious," says the Standard. "We are suffering from a very heavy blow dealt to Gen. Gough's army. The enemy on his side finds that the salient created through that local success is too narrow for his purpose. A good m.ny people no doubt experienced a certain disappointment that no great reaction on the part of the allies followed the exhaustion of the German effort. It should be remembered that the battle is only in its earliest stages and not is only in its earliest stages and nothing would please the enemy com-manders better than a premature employment of the reserves."

Prager Caused Arrest And Internment of Alien

St. Louis, April 5. It was learned today that Robert Prager, lynched at Collinsville, ills, last night, in April, 1917, caused the arrest and internment (Special to The News.)

Nashville, April 5.—L. S. Snead, assistant federal fuel administrator for the United States, conferred here today of the states of the states and internment of John Pohl, who boarded at the same home as Prager. Pohl was arrested on a disloyalty charge. Soon after the United States entered the war, Prager, then a baker in St. Louis, was granted a permit to enter all barred zones to a permit to enter all barred zones to a permit to enter all barred zones to with county fuel administrators from seek employment. He did not give noall parts of the state. He explained tice of his removal to Collinsville Charles Otto, with whom Prager boarded from December, 1916, until April, 1917, said today that Prager, though a radical socialist, declared when this country entered the war, that "he was all for the United States." Last summer, said Otto, Prager attempted to enlist in the United States navy but was rejected because he had a glass

FAIR, SAYS BILLY 'POSSUM Save up your



dollars, for, man alive, tomorrow's the day for the liberty drive; and a bond in the hand is the hand is worth two in the

Spokane, Wash, April 5.-Police to

PLAN VACATION STAY FOR 50,000 PARIS CHILDREN

Paris, April 5.—The American Red Cross is making arrangements in co-operation with a committee of Parisians to send 50,000 children of this city to a provincial center, where they will be cared for during the summer school vacation.

SECOND DRAFT **MEN CALLED SOON**

Governors of States to Be Advised Shortly of Mobilization First Large Number.

Washington, April 5 .- Orders for the mobilization of the first large number of men of the second draft will go out to the governors of the states very soon.

Fifteen thousand men of the second draft are now mobilizing and the April call about to go out will represent probably more than the month's proportion of the \$00,000 men who are pre-viously has been announced will be during the remaining nine

mofiths of the year.

To call the \$00,000 in equal monthly increments would mobile them at about a rate of 90,000 a month. However, there is no assurance that this will be a fixed figure, because the flow of the men will be determined by the needs of the army in France. As Gen. Pershing may call for specially qualified troops an average month may be much exceeded or much lecreased.

It has been announced that the men would be drawn as gradually and in as small numbers as possible so as not to interfere with industry or agriculture. It is possible this plan will be

followed.

The need of increasing the American forces in France, however, to meet the German drive in the west is likely to result in calling the men faster than first supposed. For that reason the April quota undoubtedly will exceed its normal average. In fact, if the need is pressing the entire 800,000 might be called in much less than the nine months originally planned.

Cotton Men Consider Stabilizing Prices

Washington, April 5 .- A meet ing of representatives of the cot-ton industry and the price fixing committee of the war industries board was called today for Wednesday, to take up the ques-

Daughter of New Yorker Victim German Shell

Washington, April 5.- The name of Mme. Dutreil, daughter of George M. L. Ingraham, of New York, was added today to those of the Americans killed and injured when a church in Paris was destroyed by fire from a German long-range gun. Both of Mmc. Dut-reil's legs were broken, according to a dispatch from Ambassador Sharp The ambaskador's dispatch said that

the president, of France, members of the ministry and allied and neutral diplomats attended the uneral of the counsellor of the Swiss embassy and his wife, killed in the church, and heard a funeral oration denouncing methods

KANSAS CITY TAKING STOCK FIRE DAMAGE

Kansas City, April 5.—Confronted by a loss that might extend beyond the first conservative estimates of \$2,500,000, the wholesale district, situated in that part of the city known as the west bottoms, at the confluence of the Kaw and Missouri rivers, today began to take stock of the damage wrought by a fire which last night destroyed three city blocks of buildings and damaged more or less many others.

Thomas P. Flahive, chief of police, who with fire department officials at first scouted the idea that the fire was of incendiary origin, today said that reports to him indicated the fire had Kansas City, April 5 .- Confront-

reports to him indicated the fire had "started in several places at the same time" and that he would make an investigation. He said he had no positive information that the fire was inthat the fire was carried so rapidly by a strong wind that it possibly gave rise to the idea that it broke out in several places simultaneously. No war materials are stored or being manufactured in the district, it is said. Buildings occupied by eighteen business concerns were destroyed, structures themselves were mai minor value, it was said, but the con-

tents of several were valuable.

Six firemen were injured, none seriously, and Nicholas Stefel, 10 years old, was run over and killed by a fireman's motor car.

cated in the west bottoms, was one of the buildings destroyed. This morning, officials of an underwriters' association said. It still was impossible to obtain more than a rough estimate of the loss, which they

placed at from \$3,000,000 to \$5,000,000.

POLICE RAID OFFICES

day raided the headquarters of the hush when it day raided the headquarters of the comes to stop. Lumber Workers' and Agricultural ping a big Hun Workers' unions of the Industrial Workers of the World here and took
The weather? fifty men to police headquarters and Fair tonight and seized all books and literature in the rooms.

Calls Photographers

Gen. Crowder Gives Men Registered in Draft Chance to Volunteer for Air Service.

Washington, April 5 .- A call for 400 photographers registered in the draft to mobilize at Madison barracks, Sacketts Harbor, N. Y., April 15, was sent out to fifteen tates today by Prevost Marshal-General Crowder. They will be put in the air service.

The photographers will be asked to volunteer for the work, but if enough registrants do not come forward some will be inducted into the service. The quotas include: Florida, 25 men; Georgia, 25; North Carolina, 25; South Carolina, 15; Tennessee, 25, and Virginia, 25.

Want Auto Mechanics. A call also was issued for 2,825 registrants to be given a two months' course in automobile driving and repairing and other mechanical work. Local boards of Connecticut, Massachusetts, Michi-

gan, Kentucky, Missouri and Texas were directed to furnish them. Any registrant may present him-self for induction up to April 12, but after that period no more vol-unteers will be accepted and if a board's allottment is not filled. It will proceed to select in sequence of order a sufficient number of qualified men from class one.

ARRIVAL GERMAN FLEET THREATENS RUSS SAFETY

Finnish Town Occupied-Entry Protested as Violation Brest-Litovsk Treaty.

Petrograd, April 4.—(By the Associated Press.)—Two German warships and several torpedo'boats have landed troops in Finland and occupied the town of Eknes, southwest of Heisingfors. Several Russian warships, in cluding four submarines, were powerless to prevent the entry of the Germans itno the harbor of Hange, and the sailors sunk three of the ships in the harbor to prevent their capture. The commander of the Baltic fleet has sent communication to the German commander concerning the Germans' aims and protesting against the entry of German warships as a violation of the

Brest-Litovsk freaty, which guaran-teed the security of the Russian fleet.

The arrival of the German fleet off the Finnish coast threatens the safety of \$500,000, the largest so far reported of the Russian fleet at Helsingfors, which for lack of an ice-breaker, has been unable to reach the naval base at Kronstadt. The fleet includes two armored ships, a division of torpedo boats and submarines.

Mu anti-soviet uprising among the
Ural Cossacks in southeastern Russia

is reported. BAKER'S VISIT TO HAVE

LASTING INFLUENCE On Anglo-Franco-American Relations, Comments London Daily Mail.

London, April 5.-The recent visit of Newton D. Baker, the American secretary of war, the Daily Mail says, was a historic one and will leave a lasting impression on Anglo-American relations, as it was then decided that American regiments should be brigaded with British and French troops on the western front.

Premier Lloyd George, the Mail says equainted Secretary Baker with the situation and expressed the lively desire of the British government for the immediate employment of the Amarican fighting forces. Secretary Baker was much impressed and went, to France the next day and saw Gen. Pershing.

"The American commander-in-chief," adds the Daily Mail, "in that spirit of soldierly generosity and sportsman-ship which characterized him in his subsequent pronouncement to Gen, Foch, assented unhesitatingly. "To Gen. Pershing belongs the credit

for the prompt adoption of the acheme

In conclusion the Daily Mail says: 'It only remains to be said that the American troops at the disposal of Gen. Foch are seasoned veterans of the regplar United States army. troops of the same hardy fibre as the immortal British first hundred thousand."

Resigns as Counsel in

Washington, April 5.- Francis J. Heney has resigned as counsel for the federal trade commission in its investigation of the pack-

ing industry.

Officials of the commission said
Mr. Heney had completed his work,
the results of his investigation having The old Aster house, famous years been turned over to the commission ago when the Union station was lodock. A report will be made to President Wilson as soon as possible. Mr. Heney left the commission Afril 1 to return to California, where he will be

candidate for governor. . The commission still has several investigators in the field, working on various angles of the packing inquiry which have not been cleared up.

I. W. W. IN SPOKANE IRISH CONVENTION ENDS LONG DELIBERATIONS

London, April 5 .- The Irish convention which has been discussing the question of home rule for several months concluded its delibertoday, says the Central News agency.

RUSH PLANS FOR OPENING DRIVE

100,000 Bonds of Third Liberty Issue to Be Ready for Saturday.

LEGISLATION COMPLETE

For Floating Loan-Public Urged to Keep Bonds-Selling Lowers Market Value.

Washington, April 5. - Final preparations were being rushed today for the opening tomorrow of the sale campaign of the third liberty loan. Directors of the drive announced that 40,000 of the bonds already had been turned out by the bureau of engraving and printing, and it was estimated that 100,-000 will be ready by tomorrow. Hereafter the bonds will leave the presses at the rate of 500,000 to supply the wants for cash sales and

immediate delivery. Legislation necessary for floating the loan was completed yesterday when the house accepted minor senate amendments to the bill authorizing the issuance of additional bonds And President Wilson approved the measure

Announcement of the complete plan of the new loan was made earlier in the day by the treasury department. ,

Buy and Keep the Bonds.

Liberty loan speakers and campaign workers have been instructed to urge the public not only to purchase, but to keep liberty bonds. To buy and then sell them, it is declared, increases the country's war burden and tends to depreciate the market value of bonds. Urgent appeal also will be made to subscribers to wear liberty bond buttons and to display window cards as a means of promoting other sales. Secretary McAdoo was notified to-

LOCATING RUSS FLEET Bolshevik Government Takes Action-Enemy Ships at

Odessa. Lendon, April 5.—The bolshevik government is anxious to learn the whereabouts of the Russian Black sea fleet, according to a wireless state-ment sent out from Petrograd Thurs-day. The statement, which is signed by Naval Commissary Bukasovitch, by Naval Commissary Bukasovitch, follows: "To Sablin, Fleet Commander, Sebas-

"Wire us position Black sea navy, "Wire us position Black sea navy, especially as concerns Odessa, Ntko-layev, Batoum and Trebizond. We have no recent information as to who is in possession of those places,"

A Petrograd dispatch to the Daily Mail dated Wednesday says that German steamers have arrived at Odessa.
German banks, the dispatch adds, are reported to have offered the Russian government a lean of 1,000,000,000 rubies, to be guaranteed by the revenues of the Northern and Siberian rubings.

railways. Suspend Bombardment In Deference to Swiss

Amsterdam, April 4 .-- A Berlin official statement today says that the bombardment of Paris was suspended on Wednesday because of the funeral of the counselor of the Swiss legation in Paris.

M. Strohelin, counselor of the lega-tion in Paris, was one of the worshipers in the Paris church struck by a shell from the German long-range gun on Good Friday, and with many others was killed by the explosion, Germany has already expressed regret for the death of M. Strohelin to the Swiss foreign office at Berne.

If there was a suspension of the German bombardment because of the counselor's funeral, it was not one which included the entire day of Wednesday, as Paris dispatches ge-ported the resumption of the bom-bardment Wednesday morning.

Probe of Packing Trade Extensive New Areas in Brazil Given to Cotton

Washington, April 5.—Despite a loss of \$27,000,000 in the 1917 cotton crop of Brazil, owing to the ravages of the pink boll worm, extensive new areas have been planted this season by the prevailing high price and a large crop is expected, according to consular dis patches received today. Agricultural inspectors have been appointed to supervise the disinfection and distribu-

on of cottonseed.
In the state of Plauhy the boll worm caused a loss of cae-third of the 1917 crop. In Ceara the loss was twothirds of the crop, amounting to \$10,-

MACON NEGRO HOTEL BODY TO BUY BONDS

Macon, Ga., April 5,-The Negro Hotel association of this city has subscribed for \$1,500 worth of liberty bonds, and the negro Knights of Pythian for \$300 worth, The subscriptions were cash.